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SUBJECT: IRIAN JAYA EARTHQUAKE

REF: (A) STATE 174334, (B) JAKARTA 9170, (C) JAKARTA 9110,
(D) JAKARTA 9292, AND (E) TELECON NIBLOCK/FDA

1. BASED ON EMBASSY'S ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT PER REFS D AND
E OF SITUATION IN IRIAN JAYA AND APPARENT LACK OF ACTION
TAKEN BY GOI TO MITIGATE SUFFERING OF DISASTER VICTIMS,
AID/FDA ESTABLISHING ALLOTMENT TO MISSION OF DOLLARS 150,000
(AOA WILL FOLLOW) FOR USE IN ARRANGING FOR LOCAL LIMITED
AIR SUPPORT FOR RELIEF EFFORT.

2. EMBASSY SHOULD EXERT CAUTION SO AS NOT TO BE PLACED IN
THE POSITION OF COMMITTING ITSELF TO ASSUMING MAJOR PORTION
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OF AIR TRANSPORTATION RELIEF EFFORT. OUR ADVICE IS BASED

ON CONCERN THAT GOI SHOULD RIGHTFULLY BE EXPECTED TO CHARTER
AVAILABLE AIRCRAFT OUT OF THEIR OWN RESOURCES TO MEET
TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OVER AN EXTENDED PERIOD OR UTILIZE
AVAILABLE GOI HELICOPTERS. WE ALSO BELIEVE THAT THE USE OF
ADDITIONAL DOLLAR 150,000 PLUS ANY ADDITIONAL REQUESTS
SHOULD BE DETERMINED TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE ON THE
RESULTS OF EMBASSY'S UPCOMING FIRST HAND ASSESSMENT OF THE
AREA AS DISCUSSED IN PARA 6 OF REF D. WOULD BE HIGHLY
DESIRABLE IF OFFICER COULD REMAIN AT AFFLICTED AREA SO AS
TO PROVIDE CONTINUING ASSESSMENT OF SITUATION UNTIL ENOUGH
INFORMATION IS GATHERED TO MORE CLEARLY DETERMINE THE SCOPE
OF THE U.S. CONTRIBUTION TO THE GOI RELIEF EFFORT. KISSINGER

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